

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:		)	
		:	Examiner: N/Y/A
YASUO MIYAUCHI		)	
		:	Group Art Unit: N/Y/A
Application No.: 10/615,987		)	
		:	
Filed: July 10, 2003		)	
		:	
For:	INK JET RECORDING	)	
	APPARATUS	•	October 1, 2003

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant respectfully directs the Examiner's attention to the documents listed below and on attached Form PTO-1449. A copy of each document so listed is enclosed. An English-language abstract for the Japanese document is also enclosed, which is believed to provide a concise explanation of relevance of the Japanese document to the subject application.

U.S. Pat. Publn. No. 2002/0044167 U.S. Pat. Publn. No. 2002/0080208

JP 2002-103639

Inasmuch as the subject application has not yet received a first Office Action, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3). Accordingly, the Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of Form PTO-1449.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

Attorney for Applicant

Registration No. 40,595

FITZPATRICK, CELLA, HARPER & SCINTO 30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, New York 10112-2200
Facsimile: (212) 218-2200
CA\_MAIN 67665 v 1

APPLICATION NO. ATTY DOCKET NO. FORM PTO 1449 (modified) 10/615,987 03500.017397 U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OF THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OF THE PATENT OF T APPLICANT Yasuo Miyauchi (Use several sheets if necessary) **GROUP** FILING DATE N/Y/A July 10, 2003 U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS FILING DATE DOCUMENT \*EXAMINER SUBCLASS IF APPROPRIATE DATE NAME CLASS NUMBER INITIAL 30 347 Miyauchi 2002/0044167 4/02 347 32 Miyauchi et al. 6/02 2002/0080208 FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS TRANSLATION SUBCLASS YES/NO/ CLASS DATE COUNTRY DOCUMENT OR ABSTRACT NUMBER **Abstract** 4/02 Japan 2002-103639

\*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of form with next communication to applicant.

DATE CONSIDERED

OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

Sheet\_1\_ of \_1\_

Form #61 CA\_MAIN 67666 v 1

**EXAMINER**